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## FORM 6-K

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a - 16 or 15d - 16 of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of March HSBC Holdings plc

42nd Floor, 8 Canada Square, London E14 5HQ, England

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F).

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(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934).

Yes..... No X

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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSACTIONS OF PERSONS DISCHARGING MANAGERIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND/OR CONNECTED PERSONS

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This notification relates to a transaction notified in accordance with DTR 3.1.2 R and 3.1.4 R (1)(a)

- 1 Name of the issuer HSBC Holdings plc
- 2 Name of the person discharging managerial responsibilities or, where applicable, the name of the person connected with a person discharging managerial responsibilities
  - P A Thurston, a person discharging managerial responsibilities
- Description of shares (including class), debentures, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares US\$0.50 ordinary shares
- State the nature of the transactions
  Release by the Trustee of 175,485 ordinary shares following the vesting of
  the 2009 Restricted Share award made to P A Thurston under the HSBC
  Share Plan. The Trustee of the Plan (i) sold 23,252 shares to meet the tax
  liability; and (ii) transferred 152,233 shares to P A Thurston as beneficial
- Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares acquired 152,233
- 6 Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares disposed 23,252
- 7 Price per share or value of transaction
  - (i) £5.6014
  - (ii) N/A
- 8 Date and place of transactions
  - 5 March 2012, London
- 9 Date issuer informed of transactions
  - 6 March 2012
- 10 Name of duly authorised officer/official of issuer responsible for making notification
  - Louisa Jenkinson, Senior Assistant Secretary, 020 7991 0593
- 11 Date of notification
  - 6 March 2012

#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

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By:

Name: P A Stafford

Title: Assistant Group Secretary

Date: 06 March 2012